

REMARKS

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated August 11, 2003, Applicants have elected, with traverse Group I, claims 30-34, 73, and 74, for examination at this time. As indicated above, claim 45 has been amended to add the term "consecutive" thereby falling under Group I. Claim 45 was also amended to correct a typographical error in the spelling of myelin. Accordingly, with this amendment Applicants submit that the claims of Group II, claims 45, 46, 48-50, and 74 may be properly rejoined with Group I. Such amendment is made without prejudice and is made only to facilitate prosecution. No new matter has been added.

As to the Examiner's comments regarding SEQ ID NO:3 not corresponding to fragment 86-99 of human myelin basic protein, Applicants are confused. The copy of the sequence listing in Applicants file submitted on March 6, 2002, appears to match perfectly with residues 86-99 of SEQ ID NO:2. For clarity Applicants note the sequence for SEQ ID NO:3, should be as follows:

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:3:

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Val Val His Phe Phe Lys Asn Ile Val Thr Pro Arg Thr Pro
1              5              10
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If this differs from Examiner's copy of the Sequence Listing, Applicants request that the Examiner point out the differences so that they can be adequately addressed.

The enclosed electronic and paper copies of the Sequence Listing include no new matter that goes beyond the original application as filed. Applicants respectfully submit that the above-identified application is now in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825 and WIPO Standard ST. 25.

As to the Examiner's request that Figure 1 be amended to include SEQ ID Nos. Applicants include herewith a new formal Figure 1 with such notations.

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Consideration and allowance of the elected claims is respectfully requested.

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